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In re Application of

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: Expected Art Unit: 2764

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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR ELECTRONICALLY PROVIDING CUSTOMER SERVICES INCLUDING PAYMENT OF BILLS,

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS AND LOANS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

The preliminary amendment is directed to the accompanying 37 CFR 1.53(b) application, which is a Continuation of pending Application Serial Number 09/250,675, filed February 16, 1999. Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows: